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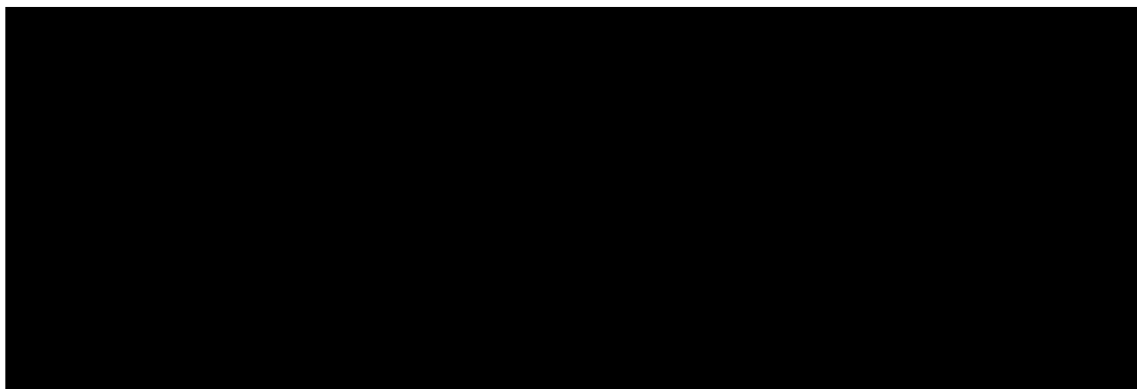
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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

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a. The Director raised the question of the cost of [REDACTED] and asked me to do some more work on this problem, taking into consideration all of the expenses which we might have had anyway, and see whether we could get a figure substantially below the \$45 million which we have been talking about.

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c. I told the Director that I had an opportunity to read more carefully the paper which he signed last Friday, 26 May, approving the release of \$4.7 million from the Contingency Reserve for [REDACTED]. I told him that I did not believe that this paper was in the proper condition to be submitted to the Bureau of the Budget and that I thought DD/P should refine it considerably. [REDACTED] undertook to do this and will resubmit the paper in due time.

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d. Following up on Friday's meeting at which the Director asked for a full report on the Notice which was issued in February abolishing the Career Service, I explained in some detail why this Notice had been issued, that it had been coordinated with all of the Deputy Directors, and that it had been approved by the Career Council. I also pointed out that it had been discussed at a Deputies' Meeting at which both the Director and General Cabell were present. I told the Director that if we had made any mistake it was not (in) getting the substitute Regulation out fast enough, but, in fact, the Career Service and its panels had continued to function, ~~even though~~ and this had been thoroughly understood by responsible people all along.

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2. [REDACTED] was in to see me for a few minutes. He is not at all happy about being reassigned to the Planning Staff in OTR, where he has already spent seven years. He would like to work in the general Support Area, and specifically, asked for the SPA job. I told him that this was committed to [REDACTED] and that I did not know of any other positions in the Support Area for him. I did, however, tell him that I would keep in mind his desire to work elsewhere in the Support Area and that we would have to see what the future held in this regard.

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3. I approved of Emmett Echols spending \$14,000 for special filing equipment which he thinks will be particularly helpful in the new building.

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4. [REDACTED] telephoned to say that the Director was not sure that he had the authority to give to [REDACTED] certain property left over from the [REDACTED] Project. I asked him to return the paper to me, and I have, in turn, asked Larry Houston to give me a brief paper setting forth the Director's legal authority to approve of this gratuity.

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5. Jim Garrison advises me that approximately \$2,000^{000.00} of the material which we have purchased from [REDACTED] is not acceptable and that he is going to the [REDACTED] Depot to personally look into the matter. Our arrangement with [REDACTED] is that we do not pay for any of the material which we do not accept upon inspection. Legally, therefore, we are in a sound position.

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6. Jim also reported to me that he had talked with Paul Borel about the Videograph Project with the [REDACTED] company. Paul is very much concerned but wants to defer any decision until [REDACTED] returns and can participate in the discussions.

7. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning there was a very full discussion of the value of the DD/I Senior Research Staff. Bob Amory was not there, but Ting Sheldon and Sherman Kent both felt that this Staff was worse than useless and was out-of-step with the remainder of the community.

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8. I had lunch with [REDACTED] who is still very much interested in having a job as Chief of our Budget Division. He feels that he can leave [REDACTED] any time now and [REDACTED] would not object to being ordered back home. However, from a personal convenience point of view, next March would be the ideal time. I told him that I was going to pursue this with Bob Amory and try to bring about his recall next March.

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9. Emmett Echols advised me that [REDACTED] is coming home from [REDACTED] and that DD/P does not have a place to use him at the moment. Emmett had been asked to see whether there is a place for him in either DD/I or DD/S. I told him that I saw no place for him with us.

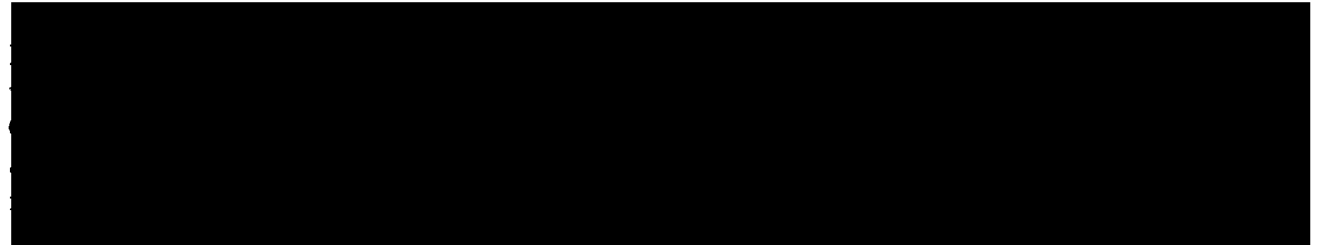
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25X1A having 109 people at Headquarters, thirty-four of which will be Support. This, of course,
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center unless we can move WH [REDACTED] into the new building. This seems to be the sensible thing
to do and we must start plans to this effect.

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